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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1-26. (Canceled).
- 27. (Currently amended) An isolated polypeptide comprising:
- (a) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:7);
- (b) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:7), lacking its associated signal peptide;
- (c) the amino acid sequence of the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:7);
- (d) the amino acid sequence of the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:7), lacking its associated signal peptide; or
- (e) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203661.
- 28. (Currently amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 27 comprising the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:7).
- 29. (Currently amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 27 comprising the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:7), lacking its associated signal peptide.
- 30. (Currently amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 27 comprising the amino acid sequence of the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:7).
- 31. (Currently amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 27 comprising the amino acid sequence of the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:7), lacking its associated signal peptide.
- 32. (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 27 comprising the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203661.
- 33. (Previously presented) A chimeric polypeptide comprising a polypeptide according to Claim 27 fused to a heterologous polypeptide.
- 34. (Currently Amended) The chimeric polypeptide of Claim 33, wherein said heterologous polypeptide is an epitope a tag polypeptide or an Fc region of an immunoglobulin.

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35. (Currently amended) An isolated polypeptide having at least 95% amino acid sequence identity to:

- (a) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:7);
- (b) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:7), lacking its associated signal peptide;
- (c) the amino acid sequence of the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:7);
- (d) the amino acid sequence of the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 4-(SEQ ID NO:7), lacking its associated signal peptide; or
- (e) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203661;

wherein said isolated polypeptide <u>is overexpressed in lung or colon tumors compared to normal lung or colon tissue</u>, respectively, or wherein said isolated polypeptide is encoded by a <u>nucleic acid which is amplified in lung or colon tumor compared to normal lung or colon tissue</u>, respectively, retains the biological activity of a native PRO539 polypeptide.

- 36. (Canceled).
- 37. (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 35, wherein said amino acid sequence identity is at least 96%.
- 38. (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 35, wherein said amino acid sequence identity is at least 97%.
- 39. (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 35, wherein said amino acid sequence identity is at least 98%.
- 40. (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 35, wherein said amino acid sequence identity is at least 99%.
  - 41-45. (Canceled).
- 46. (New) A chimeric polypeptide comprising a polypeptide according to Claim 35 fused to a heterologous polypeptide.
- 47. (New) The chimeric polypeptide of Claim 46, wherein said heterologous polypeptide is a tag polypeptide or an Fc region of an immunoglobulin.
- 48. (New) An isolated polypeptide having at least 95% amino acid sequence identity to:

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(a) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:7;

- (b) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:7, lacking its associated signal peptide;
- (c) the amino acid sequence of the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:7;
- (d) the amino acid sequence of the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:7, lacking its associated signal peptide; or
- (e) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203661;

wherein said isolated polypeptide or a fragment thereof can be used to generate an antibody which can be used to specifically detect the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:7 in lung or colon tissue samples.

- 49. (New) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 48, wherein said amino acid sequence identity is at least 96%.
- 50. (New) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 48, wherein said amino acid sequence identity is at least 97%.
- 51. (New) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 48, wherein said amino acid sequence identity is at least 98%.
- 52. (New) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 48, wherein said amino acid sequence identity is at least 99%.
- 53. (New) A chimeric polypeptide comprising a polypeptide according to Claim 48 fused to a heterologous polypeptide.
- 54. (New) The chimeric polypeptide of Claim 53, wherein said heterologous polypeptide is a tag polypeptide or an Fc region of an immunoglobulin.